

## HS Principal's Report to the Board

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1. J-term is going so very well! I hope you have been keeping up on Twitter and Facebook as pictures of classroom and activities have been posted. Students and staff are showing levels of engagement that are absolutely mind blowing. It is hard for me to put into words the success of the program!
2. Please join us Wednesday from 4-6 pm at the high school gym and lobbies for th J-term Showcase which is open to everyone in the community. Students will be answering their driving question and presenting their products to the public from a fashion show to explaining certain areas of baseball and history they studied.
3. As with any initiative, we need to reflect on the good, the bad, and the ugly to get better. The intent is to continue with J-term and we will spend a significant part of our professional development on Monday debriefing to prepare for our 2nd Annual J-term session. In addition, we are coming back to vision of the building and working on what a student-centered environment and our ideal graduate require of us as adults to create and what conditions need to exist for us to continue moving forward.
4. Iowa assessment are our next big event. We will be goal setting in homerooms during February and March to prepare as well as talking about test taking strategies.
5. Second semester begins on Thursday. With the 10 days of J-term, students have had ample opportunity to check schedules and work through any issues.